



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Joseph A. HERMAN et al.

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR VIRTUAL SEALED-BID
COMMUNICATIONS HELD OVER A COMMUNICATIONS
NETWORK

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Pursuant to Patent Office Rule 136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests a retroactive extension of one (1) month, namely until May 11, 2005, for responding to the Official Action dated January 11, 2005, in the above-identified application.

Applicant submits herewith the fee required in connection with the requested extension, namely \$60.00. Applicants claim small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

Respectfully submitted,

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